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## AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated May 21, 2003, the period for response having been extended by a Request for Extension of time filed herewith, please reconsider the application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

## **AMENDMENT**

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

The Basis for Amendment begins on page 9 of this paper.

The Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.